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Only copies of the two non-patent publications are enclosed for the convenience of the Examiner.

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The references cited below are not intended to constitute an admission of any kind. Specifically, this presentation is not an admission that the items listed below are properly citable against the above-identified application.

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- (2) Japanese Published Unexamined Patent Application No. (A) 57-078284 (NIPPON KOGAKU KK (NIKON)), published May 15, 1982;
- (3) Japanese Published Unexamined Patent Application No. (A) 59-014181 (OLYMPUS OPTICAL CO LTD), published January 25, 1984;
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Applicants consider the invention to be distinguishable over the above-cited documents.

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